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Sons of Utah Pioneers Entry Days of '47 - 1977 (See Page 19)

"The Pioneer" Salutes
Chapters in South Salt Lake County



National SUP President Oliver R. Smith

The high point of activity each year for the Sons of Utah Pioneers comes during the summer months, and during June, July and August of 1978 there are many significant events in which S.U.P. members, partners, and friends may take part. The first is the annual Pioneer Story Contest, details of which are given elsewhere in this issue, and all members and friends are encouraged to send in entries to our headquarters during the month of June.

The President's Message

A special event anticipated for June 24 at Nauvoo, Ill. is the proposed installation of two S.U.P. chapters for Peoria and Champaign-Urbana, Ill. This is being planned by Vice Pres. W. Phil Robbins, and it is hoped that a bus trek can be organized so that Utah members can help give a rousing welcome to what will be our first chapters east of the Mississippi River!

Pioneer Day on July 24th brings many opportunities for Sons to commemorate the Pioneers in local observances and also the sunrise service and Days of '47 Parade in Salt Lake City. Special activities at Pioneer Village in Lagoon will also enlist the participation of many chapter members and the Mormon Battalion.

Remember that your 1978 S.U.P. membership card also entitles you to free parking at Lagoon any day throughout the season, and you will

find much to enjoy with your family and friends at the enlarged Village there.

A traditional event to which we can all look forward is the annual S.U.P. encampment, being held this year Aug. 3-5 in Logan. We hope you will study the schedule provided in this issue, and make your reservations early for this climaxing event.

The Sons of Utah Pioneers have been asked by Elder Mark E. Petersen and the Public Communications Office of the Church to participate in a special project to erect a flagpole at Nauvoo to mark the starting point of the Mormon exodus to the West. This will be dedicated on Aug. 19, and Col. Elmer B. Jones of the Mormon Battalion and other interested chapters will organize another bus trek over the Mormon Trail to participate in this event.

May you all have a happy and fruitful summer as Sons of Utah Pioneers!

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

An extra copy of this issue of *The Pioneer* is being mailed to all members who have not as yet sent in their 1978 dues to the National Society. While this is contrary to our policy, we feel that this is right inasmuch as we are striving for an increased membership throughout the organization.

Chapter presidents and secretaries should make a personal contact and urge all those who have not paid their dues to do so now in order to be assured of receiving the July-August issue as a paid up S.U.P. member.

Where the individual is unable to attend the monthly chapter dinners or meetings due to health or business reasons, he can still maintain membership in the National Society by payment of the yearly dues as a member at large.

For this issue of *The Pioneer* we have received an abundance of news. We will try to get as much as possible in this issue, or, the next issue if the article is not dated. The pictures and articles are most appreciated.

E. Kay Kirkham, Editor



NATIONAL OFFICERS ACCEPT TOKENS FOR SERVICE GIVEN

(Left) Retiring Executive-Secretary George C. Lloyd accepts book from Director Adolph Johnson and Dr. Orson D. Wright accepts book from President Oliver R. Smith (left) and Adolph Johnson. National Director Wright has accepted a call as mission president of the Sidney Australia Mission.



QUARTETTE FROM THE SUGAR HOUSE CHAPTER INTRODUCES SONG - SONS OF THE UTAH PIONEERS

(On left) J. Spencer Cornwall, Lester Rigby, Albert Eccles, Ferd Petersen and W. Phil Robbins. With music by J. Spencer Cornwall and Margaret C. Richards and words by Carol C. Madsen, W. Phil Robbins, National Vice President, introduced a well-presented song to be considered as the official song of the National Society.

MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE ISSUED BY OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Brethren:

As members and officers in the Sons of Utah Pioneers, we have both the opportunity and the responsibility to share with others the great mission of perpetuating the spirit of our pioneer predecessors. If any organization is to achieve its purposes, it requires a continuing infusion of new strength which comes from the addition of new members and new units.

I wish to challenge you, as a member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, to invite this year at least ten of your neighbors, friends and acquaintances to join our Society.

I am challenging also the officers of every chapter to foster the organization each year of a new chapter in their own area or in another location.

You will find personal joy and satisfaction in accepting this challenge, for it will give you a most practical way of becoming part of our great pioneer tradition. May you be blessed in your efforts.

Sincerely yours,

Oliver R. Smith. President



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HISTORY OF THE TEMPLE QUARRY CHAPTER ASSOCIATION

by Russell Stocking

This article covers the area in the Southern portion of Salt Lake Valley, commonly known as the Jordan area, from 6400 South to the point of the mountain; and to the Mountain tops East and West. Settlement was started in the early 1850's and spread throughout the valley, developing into several small communities whose livelihood depended upon what they could obtain from farming and stock raising.

When the mines, mills and smelters started to operate, it meant extra income for those hard working people. Some of the early industries were logging, saw mill operations, grist mills, tanneries, quarry operations, etc.

To raise crops they needed water to irrigate, which was available from the Jordan River and from Utah lake. One of the first irrigation ditches was called the Beckstead Ditch and was used to water the bottom lands. In the late 1860's and 1870's a canal was built so land could be farmed higher on the bench. This was called the South Jordan Canal and carries water to this day.

In the early days, protection was needed from the indians, so forts were built. One of these, which was the largest, was called Union Fort. Others were Fort Herriman and Wight's Fort, remnants of which still remain at 9000 South and 3400 West. This remnant, the Wight's Fort cemetary, is on the former main road to Bingham Canyon.

As the exploration of the area around Salt Lake took place, soon after the settlement of the valley, it became apparent that mining would be a major industry. George B. Ogilvie was running cattle in Bingham Canyon and found some special ores which were assayed at Fort Douglas and were found to be rich in gold and silver.

On Sept. 2, 1863, General Conner of Fort Douglas sponsored a meeting at Gardners Mill in West Jordan; and with some of the early settlers and some people from Fort Douglas, organized the first mining district in Utah, called the Jordan Silver Mining District, in 1871, this district had 35 mines.

The West Mountain Mining District was organized on Sept. 17, 1864. There were numerous mines in Bingham Canyon when it first opened up, along with reduction plants to process the ores. Early mine production included gold, silver and lead, followed by copper. The open pit operation was to come later, as Utah Copper Co. purchased these mines and started surface mining.

Smelting and refining methods changed as new techniques were discovered and new ore bodies were found.

Across the valley at the top of Little Cottonwood Canyon at Alta, in the late 1860's and early 1870's, rich ores were discovered that were high in silver. One of the most productive and controversial mines was the Emma Mine. It produced millions of dollars of ore, in which British interests invested heavily. The Davenport and Flagstaff properties were also heavy producers.

The 1873 financial crash, along with government manipulation, caused silver prices to tumble and this forced many mines to close.

Renewed activity by the Columbus Properties in 1904 when they built a mill at Alta caused a little flurry, but it was not a heavy producer. Fire destroyed the operation in 1914. A few other mines continued to produce. The year 1917 saw the highest production in the area since 1873. A few mines and miners clung on, but this gradually faded away.

SMELTING AND ORE MINING OPERATIONS

Midvale, then called Bingham Junction had two smelters, Sheridan Hill built in 1873 on the North side of Bingham Highway and Galena on the south side, east of the Jordan River. Both merged and were called the Jordan Works, later incorporated in 1899 and called Bingham Copper and Gold Mining Co. After purchasing mines in Bingham Canyon in 1901, the company was called Bingham Consolidated Mining and Smelting, and enlarged operations to pro-

duce 700,000 lbs of blister copper per month. This operation was north

The other smelter was built in 1902 by U.S. Mining Co. A new operation handling copper ores which were brought from Bingham and Tintic Mines. After the ores changed to lead bases, the smelter handled both ores. A new lead addition was built in 1905. Later the Bingham Consolidated closed down in 1907. and the remaining smelter was renamed U.S. Smelting and Refining Co., which continued to operate until 1958.

Sandy also had the following smelting operations: The Saturn -1872-1876, the Flagstaff - 1873-1877; the Mountain Chief - 1873-1876, merging with the Mingo 1876-1898, when it was torn down and moved to Murray.

The following ore sampling mills, the Pioneer, Wasatch and Scott and Anderson operated from 1874 to 1904.

There was also for a number of years, a mill and concentrator at Lark, owned and operated by Ohio Copper Co.

To support mining and smelting operations and other industries, there had to be transportation. The Transcontinental Railroad came to Utah in 1869 and made some of this possible. In 1871 the Utah Central Railroad extended their line to Sandy and in 1873, the Wasatch and Jordan Valley Railroad built a wide gauge line to Granite. This line was extended as a narrow gauge line in 1873 to Tanners Flat and in 1875 to Alta.

About this time a narrow gauge line was built from Bingham Junction (Midvale) to Bingham Canyon. This line was called the Copper Belt Railroad.

In 1881 the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad Co. absorbed these lines into their operations calling the one to Alta the Little Cottonwood and the one to Bingham the Bingham Canyon Line.

Other railroads that operated in the valley were the Orem Line built in 1913, which was an electric line running from Salt Lake to Payson; and the Bingham and Garfield Railway Co. which was used to transport ore from the Bingham pit to the mills at Magna.

The first settlement, the one that carried the most impact on the adjoining areas was West Jordan, it has been since the early days a Natural Center.

The Gardner brothers and others arrived and settled near the Jordan River at approximately 7800 South in 1849 and 1850. The first Canal in Utah was dug to carry water to run several industries, among them was a grist mill, saw mill, wooden mill, mattress factory and a tannery. Saw mills were soon in operation in the Canyons on both sides of the valley, after a broom factory was in operation and also a molasses mill. Nearby the first blacksmith shop was run by Alexander Beckstead.

With the building of more canals, all of the area west of the river became a good agriculture and livestock area, which includes South Jordan, Riverton, Bluffdale and Herriman. All of these communities were interwoven in their early development.

The first threshing machine, separator, used in the area was brought in by Henry Beckstead, it was horse drawn, using ten heads of horses on a sweep stake going round and round, turning the master wheel.

Frank Dansie owned the first steam

threshing outfit.

The Utah-Idaho Sugar Company built a sugar factory in West Jordan in 1916; it served the area for many years.

The West Jordan area is a hub of industry today with numerous industries settling there. A few are the Interstate Brick, Boise Cascade Fabricating plant, Bal-Kamp, National Semiconductor and many others.

West Jordan is also home of the old Rock Meeting House, which was started in 1861 and dedicated in 1867.

Midvale was at first a part of West Jordan, later called East Jordan and Bingham Junction. It was incorporated a City in 1909 when the name was changed to Midvale. Two smelters operated there at one time. It became a natural center for shopping. One of the first stores in the J.C. Penny systems opened there. A Penny store is still operating in Midvale, but at a different location.

Many people helped to keep the Canyon a desirable place to live. Credit must be given to two doctors, Dr. Russell Frazier and Dr. Paul Richards, who not only gave of their professional help but humanitarian as well.

Alta and Little Cottonwood Canyon settlemen came about of the same time.

A saw mill at Tanners Flat in 1851 became the first settlement. Soon after in 1855 Wasatch was founded to support the Quarry operations. Central City, nine miles up the canyon in 1866, had a lumber mill and mining and smelting operations. Alta also had a saw mill in 1868 and in 1871 when 5,000 people were living at the top of Little Cottonwood Canyon, this later increased to many more as mining activities expanded.

Mining and tunneling became so intense that a miner could go from one mine to another and never see daylight. These mines even connected to the Big Cottonwood operations where some mining was also taking

Later a short distance up the canyon an oxygen plant was established and operated for many years.

The canyon now is alive and thriving on a new type of business. Alta and Snowbird are known world wide for their excellent skiing and year around recreation facilities, as well as Brighton in adjoining Big Cottonwood Canyon.

Union Fort was settled soon after the movement of people into the valley, by 1849 eight families had settled there. In 1853 a Fort was built covering 10 acres being forty rods square, 12 feet high and six feet at the base and one foot at top. It was originally called a park of the Cottonwood area. The Union Fort area of one time had two grist mills, a Molasses Factory, a Tannery and glue factory, a shoe maker and cobbler had a shop also. There also was a black furnace and one refining operation. Mention should be made of two mines called the Jefferson and Big Mitt, operated at the head of Willow Creek, north of the present town of Granite.

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ULTIMATE DESIRE

We feel that the ultimate desire of each Son of Utah Pioneers should be to become a Life Member. The dues are only \$100. (less \$7. if you have already paid your national dues for this year.)

In becoming a Life Member you prove your loyalty to and love of this great organization. Also it shows a desire to maintain your association with all the fine men and women in the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

Sons, make a subtle hint to your wives that you would like a Life Membership pin and certificate for your birthday or for Father's Day.

A replica of the Life Membership pin is shown above and we know you will be proud to wear it to the National Encampment in August and to your monthly meetings. The certificate can be framed and hung on the wall of your office or den and everytime you look at it your chest will swell with pride.

Arthur W. Wiscomb, Chairman Life Membership Committee



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Temple Quarry History

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Many businesses are located in Midvale, among the largest is Welch Planning Mill.

Sandy was settled early, also being a part of Union Fort at one time. Its early development was geared to the mining and smelting operations and the coming of the railroad. Other communities, Draper, Crescent, Granite and Butler were all settled at similar times.

The Jordan School District covers all of this area and was one of the first consolidated school districts in the United States, and has been an example of excellence since.

Mention might be made that most of the towns and communities had a general store, where you could purchase most anything. These communities which used to be a quiet place to live are now surrounded with fast growing subdivisions.

Porter Rockwell Pony Express Station and Stagecoach stop-over and travelers rest stop was near where the Utah State Prison now stands. The half-way house at 10330 South State built by the Andrus families in the 1860's was operated as a stopover for travelers. Another establishment of early interest was Lovendahl's livery stable on State St. and 6400 South and stood where Allied Development now stands.

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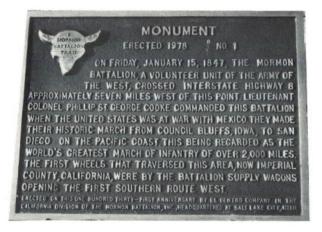
Pres. Oliver R. Smith chats with Major Wm. M. Farris, of El Centro, California.



El Centro, California Keith A. Sears, R. Neal Richards and Warren Young



From left: Robt. Lamoreaux, Wm. M. Farris, David Hsuck, John C. Richards, Fred M. Reese, Elmer B. Jones



MORMON BATTALION

by Col. Elmer B. Jones

On February 20th, 1978 the Mormon Battalion and the Temple Quarry Chapter of the S.U.P. took leave of Utah for Tucson Company of the Mormon Battalion to participate in the annual La Fiesta de Los Vaqueros Parade. On February 23rd, the Tucson Company, under the direction of Capt. Wayne Goodman, their commanding officer, joined with three L.D.S. Church Stakes to form a Mormon Battalion unit and march in this parade.

On February 22nd, we visited Tombstone and that evening a battalion meeting was held with the Tucson Company with Col. Elmer B. Jones conducting and Col. Fred M. Reese presiding. Capt. Goodman was given a new assignment of Area Co-Ordinator of Arizona South Area with a

promotion to Major. Appointed as the new Tucson Company Commanding Officer was 3rd Lt. Gale S. Bell with a promotion to Captain.

Next day, February 24, we left for El Centro, California, to participate in the dedication of a new monument west of El Centro at a Highway #8 rest stop, in honor of the Mormon Battalion that passed through that area January 15, 1847. The program started at 3:30 p.m.

Col. Fred M. Reese was the speaker and the dedication was by Robert Lambereaux, El Centro Company Chaplain. Closing remarks by Major Wm. M. Farris and benediction by Rex Hudson, a Brawleg descendant. Col. Elmer B. Jones presented Major Wm. M. Farris with an additional assignment calling him to be the co-ordinator of two areas, the California South East Area and the Arizona South West Area.

Joining with us at Tucson, Arizona, and participating in the parade and meetings in Tucson and at El Centro was Major Keith A. Sears, Area Co-ordinator of California South, Col. Elmer B. Jones presented to him certificates of appointment for a new San Diego Company for him to make the presentations when he returns to San Diego.

We were accompanied by our National S.U.P. President Oliver R. Smith, who is also a Lt. Col. in the U.S. Mormon Battalion. Present at the dedication of the El Centro Monument were Dee A. Broadbent, who is the director of the Mormon Battalion Memorial Visitors Center in San Diego, California. He is from Logan, Utah, also Neal Richards and Warren Young both from San Diego.



Temple Quarry Officers for 1978 are Gene Drake, president; Jack Eldredge, past president; Chuck Wright, president-elect; J. C. Richards, chaplin; Dell Smith, vice president; Asel Eldredge, vice president; Ivan Jones, vice president; Glen Greenwood, trek chairman; Russell Stocking, secretary and treasurer.

TEMPLE QUARRY CHAPTER IS ORGANIZED FOR 1978

reported by LeGrand Asay

November was a rewarding month for the Temple Quarry Chapter as several new members joined the chapter and our Thanksgiving dinner was truly a feast. Kelly Richardson entertained us so beautifully, playing his violin accompanied by David Toy.

The December meeting was conducted by Jack Eldredge and a lovely banquet was enjoyed by over one hundred members and guests. We were honored by the presence of National President Oliver R. Smith and Sister Smith and we enjoyed his brief message. Vice President Phil Robbins and Sister Robbins were in attendance also as well as Past President Adolph Johnson and wife, Elma.

New officers were elected and we know this year will be a good one under the able leadership of Eugene Drake and wife Joyce.

The January meeting was a spiritual feast when Brother Ivan Smart, of Granite, gave a beautiful discussion of his calling at the Stake Prison, where he and his wife, Virginia, have been commissioned by the Church to work with the prisoners. He is a fine dedicated servant of the Lord. His parents, Harold and Leverne Smart, were special guests for the evening.

The February meeting was a lovely entertainment by the family of

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A SUCCESSFUL CHANGE

by Schley L. Brown

Over the years our Sugar House Chapter has held our meetings in the fine old hall at the Pioneer Village. That privilege finally ran out, so it was necessary to find a new place. The greater number of our members chose the Senior Citizens Hall on 257 South 10th East. Our first meeting in the new hall was held Wednesday, March 22, 1978.

President Jeppson conducted the meeting. We had 132 members, companions and guests present. The Al's Catering Service served a very delightful dinner to us, and in their inimitable manner.

Our "New Membership" Committee Chairman, Bicknell Robbins, introduced the following new members to us. Marion E. Hamblin and wife, Ruth: Kay Ray Hammond and wife, Daveen; Doctor David A. Shand and wife, Melba H.; and Phillip A. Woodland and wife, Dorothy. We are sure they will have an enjoyable and long membership with us.

Doctor J. Preston Hughes, M.D. entertained and instructed us with an informative lecture. The title of his talk was "The Garden of Eden" and "The Garden of Gethsemane"

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MORMON BATTALION, COMPANY A, SPONSORS INTERESTING EVENTS

reported by Sheldon R. Brewster

The Mormon Battalion enjoyed a pot luck dinner on the 17th of March followed by a wonderful evening of entertainment by Barbara Sine and her family who presented a play on the Life of Christ.

Battalion member Elmer J. Carr and wife, Lucile, have been called to serve as missionaries in the San Diego Mission of the Church.

Under date of April 21st, this chapter will sponsor a special program featuring the celebrated singer Glade Peterson who will bring a group of the soloists from the Utah Opera Company to present selections from eight famous operas. This special program was authorized and financed by the State Legislature and is being taken to schools around the state

Many members of the Company A went on the recent trek to the Tucson Celebration, in Arizona which was highly successful.

We can report that the Mormon Battalion Monument on the State Capitol grounds has had its shrubs and trees trimmed to beautify the area. A new state building director is responsible for the improvement.

Judge Joseph Jeppson, president of the Sugar House Chapter, held us spell bound as he related the events of the mock trial of Jesus. His talented wife, Zora, favored us with lovely piano selections.

Our first outdoor event will be our picnic meeting to be held at Lehi. This could be in the month of May. We are supported there by Vernon and Aline Curtis, Suel and Wanda Bushman and Rose Aston.

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TEMPLE QUARRY CHAPTER SUNSHINE TREK TO ARIZONA

by Glen L. Greenwood

On Monday, February 20th, forty members of the Temple Quarry Chapter under the direction of Trek Chairman, Glen Greenwood, left Sandy by bus for Arizona, by way of Kanab, Glen Canyon Dam. Staying the first night in Flagstaff, Arizona.

Next morning heading South down beautiful Oak Creek Canyon to Sedona where they saw the Chapel of the Holy Cross nestled among the beautiful red rocks. They visited Montezuma Castle National Monument (Indian Ruins). Later was a tour of a western village at Carefree, and then south through Scottsdale to Mesa where they visited the grounds of the Mesa

Temple.

Chapter president Eugene Drake and his wife flew down and joined the group for their stay in Tucson. Wednesday morning they headed for Nogales, Mexico, stopping at the beautiful San Xavier del Bac Mission and the old Tumacacori Mission, established in 1690. After a visit to Mexico they went to Tombstone and Boothill Cemetery. Thursday they watched the 53rd Annual Fiesta de Las Vaqueros parade in which the Mormon Battalion marched. Next a visit to the aeroplane graveyard with rows upon rows of old Army, Navy, Air Corps, Marines and Coast Guard planes. Then a trip to Old Tucson where they make western movies. After a tour here they went to the Living Desert Museum.

Friday morning they went to Yuma and visited the old Territorial Prison and Museum. Then on to El Centro, California, where the Mormon Battalion dedicated a monument. Saturday morning they headed for Las Vegas by way of Parker Dam, Lake Havasu, London Bridge and Hoover Dam. Sunday morning leaving for home with Sunday School and church services on the bus. There was a stop at the St. George Temple and lunch at St. George. Arriving home that evening a tired but happy group.

Monday night, March 20th, a bus party was held at the home of Dean and Bea Andrus, with a delicious pot luck dinner enjoyed by thirty-eight persons. The rest of the evening was spent viewing picture slides, and movies

of their Arizona trip.

Fellow members and friends -

It is with pleasure that I respond to the invitation to speak for myself and for the membership of the Sons of Utah Pioneers and add our endorsement to the project of beautifying the historic Mount of Olives at Jerusalem.

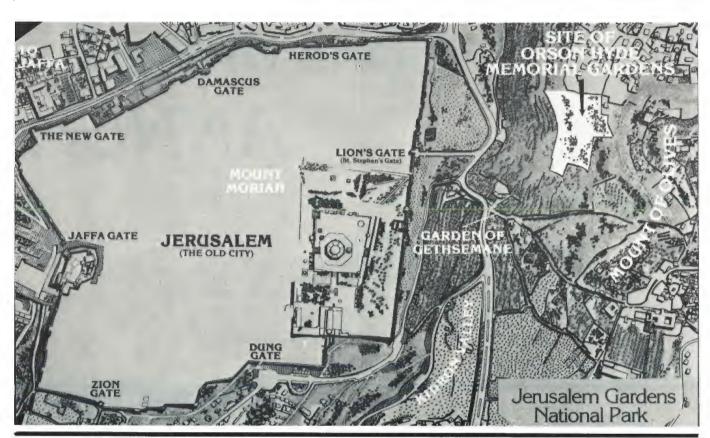
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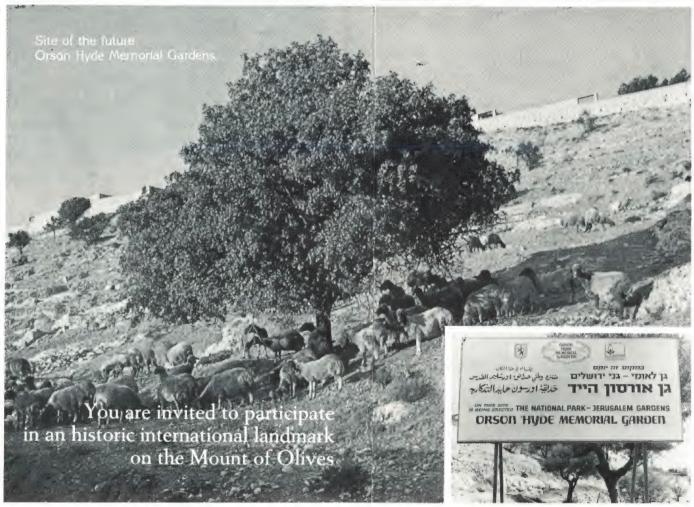
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Oliver R. Smith, President National Society, Sons of Utah Pioneers

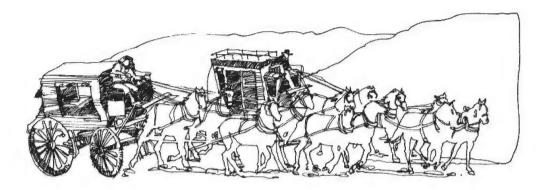


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ELECTRIC POWER COMES TO TAYLORSVILLE

Did you know that Taylorsville had its own power plant and electric distributing system at one time? Well, it did.

Last Monday when we had our monthly planning meeting in the old Hyrum Bennion home, we admired the four brick thick walls that divided each room, the sturdy construction of the floors and the old fireplace that we have placed in the family room corner. This fireplace was originally in the family home of Heber C. Kimball's granddaughter. My wife, Dorothy, saw it in the paper and after much persuasion was able to buy it

This was the first home west of the Jordan River to have electricity and the Taylorsville power plant came into being in the following manner. The Bennion Flour and Feed Mill on the Jordan River was destroyed by fire. Hyrum Bennion and sons decided that instead of rebuilding the mill on the Jordan River site they would move the mill over to the railroad tracks so that the wheat flour and grain could be shipped by rail more easily. It was decided to harness the water wheel formally used to grind the grain by installing an electric power plant and running a line over to the new flour mill.

In order to keep a watch on the operation of the power plant, a line was run from the plant to the Hyrum Bennion home now located at 1348 West 4800 South. Thus the Bennion home was the first home to have electric power.

It was decided that the power plant had enough capacity to furnish electricity to the homes between the power plant and the Bennion home, so a power company was started. My father, Joseph S. Bennion, was the first electrician for this Taylors-ville power system, which was purchased by the Utah Power and Light Company when they moved into Taylorsville. With restoration completed, we hope to move into the home sometime this year.

Joseph Bennion, Jr.



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MURRAY, THE HUB OF SALT LAKE COUNTY

by Marshall K. Brinton

South Cottonwood Ward in 1850 was the first ward organized outside of Salt Lake City. This area included Murray, and surrounded Big and Little Cottonwood Creeks as they wandered from the Wasatch Mountains thru Murray towards the Jordan river, and eventually into Great Salt Lake.

What highways and freeway interchanges are to business locations, these mountain streams were to industry and farming in the early days of Utah. These streams provided power for a paper mill, sugar mill, and several flour or grist mills. Water rights were controversial and in great demand as more settlers entered the valley. Cooperative irrigation projects were a big concern to Murray's early farmers.

Brigham Young's scouts brought him the troubling news of outcroppings of copper, silver and gold in nearby canyons. He persisted in directing the Saints to stay with their farms, and it was left to the ''gentiles'' to promote mining and smelting. Murray was well-situated for smelters, and half-a-dozen have operated here with names such as Hanauer, Hyland Boy, Germania, Morgan, and AS&R.

Of the AS&R Smelter, two smoke stacks remain as silent witnesses of the once robust plant. New industries provided more jobs and so the transition to a balanced economy of light industry, commercial, and residential has taken place. Murray's perimeters now have national chain store shopping centers, and the lucrative tax-producing Fashion Place mall across State from where Sharp's "Workingman's Store" once served according to its name. Murray's dozen or more new and used car agencies and recreational vehicle dealers have given Murray the title "Car Capital of Utah".

Ten LDS Wards (from Holladay to Taylorsville) in 1937, have grown to possibly twenty or more stakes today. Old-timers remember Stake Conference at 33rd South and State, and church leaders, U. G. Miller, Alma Cornwall, Hyrum Bennion, Bowthorpe, Andrus, Bagley, Wright, Moyle, Snarr, Berger, Wahlquist, Mauss, Brinton, Barker, Lindsay, Gardners, and Wheelers.

The James Miller house and pond at 9th East and 48th South is now Lake Pines singles apartment community; the Winchester farm at 64th South and 7th West is now a fashionable mobile home court. Pilatti's and Zardella's truck garden farms are now beautifully sculptured Murray park and arboretum. Snarr's and Johnson's farm on Germania Avenue is developing into a 300 home community which will trigger formation of a 5th LDS stake in Murray city. The Brown's estate (which owned one of the early JC Penny store



THE HYRUM BENNION, SR. HOME IN TAYLORSVILLE IS 102 YEARS OLD

As historian of the Taylorsville-Bennion Sons of the Utah Pioneers, I wish to greet and brief the members of other chapters in relating a little more history of folks who contributed in making our community great and interesting.

The picture represents the present officers of the chapter standing in front of the Hyrum Bennion, Sr. home. Left to right: Rulon Mackay, director; Aesel Wallace, 1st V. P.; Russell Robison, director; Winston Palmer, president; Vince Houtz, pres. elect; J. Elbert Bennion, Jr., Past President; Cloyd Brown, Sec. and Treas.; Clyde Barker, historian. Merrill Nelsen and Vearl Barker were not present when the picture was taken.

Joseph E. Bennion, Sr. father of our past president, helped to organize and accompany the party who re-lived the 1847 Pioneer Trek across the plains during our 1947 Centennial Year. He proved to be of great help and assistance

on that most interesting trek.

The middle name of the sons of Hyrum Bennion, Sr. should have been MILLER as all of the sons participated in a very successful milling business in our community. I remember, as a young boy looking forward to the days when my father, David John Barker, would load me in the old wagon with about ten sacks of wheat and proceed to the Bennion Flour Mill to have the wheat turned into what we called ''grist''. As I remember, we would receive in return about six sacks of flour, two sacks of bran and two sacks of shorts. The bran and shorts made good hog feed.

Clyde Barker, Chapter Historian

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buildings) is now Rainbow Drive and Meadowview sub-division. Atwood Lane is now Atwood Boulevard. J. T. Erekson's dairy farm on 59th South is being subdivided this year into exclusive home sites along Little Cottonwood creek. The Simper and McMillan property provides ground for Cottonwood Maternity Hospital, and its successor the multi-storied Cottonwood General Hospital, McMillan elementary school, Murray South Stake Center, and a Baptist church. The Arion Erekson dairy farm on 9th East is now a Sports Mall-health spa complex; Cahoon's Murray Orchard is now Indian Wells residential sub-division. William B. Erekson fish hatchery is now the upper part of Mick Riley, a 9 hole county-owned golf course.

Nearing 35,000 population, Murray is a great city. It's future is bright -- it will grow and reflect the traditions and values of the many nationalities who made it their home.



Old Murray City Hall Dedicated 14 May 1908

ANNUAL STORY CONTEST ANNOUNCED

True stories about the experiences of early Utahns are being sought in the annual writing contest sponsored by the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

Gold, silver, and bronze medals are offered for the top entries in each of two divisions -- senior and youth -- according to E. Kay Kirkham, executive secretary. Entries in the youth division, 18 and under, must list the age and parents of the writer.

Winning entries will be published in the society's bi-monthly magazine,

The Pioneer.

Each entry must be an original, unpublished story or biographical sketch about a person who came to Utah before the completion of the railroad on May 10, 1869, or who was born in the territory before that date. It should be typewritten and not exceed 1,500 words in length.

"The purpose of the contest is to encourage the researching and writing of the achievements of those who helped build the pioneer communities of Utah and surrounding areas," Mr. Kirkham said. "Utah pioneers established towns also in Wyoming, Idaho, Nevada, California, Arizona, Colorado, Mexico and Canada."

Entries should be mailed by June 30 to the National Society, Sons of Utah Pioneers, 3357 South 2300 East, Salt Lake City 84109. Awards will be made at the 1978 S.U.P. convention to be held Aug. 4-5 in Logan.

THE PIONEER HALL

About twelve miles South of Salt Lake City traveling on State Street, until you come to the Bingham Highway on 7800 South and as you travel West, on July 23, 1847, a long line of covered wagons drawn by weary oxen could be seen winding their way down Emigration Canyon. On the following day, when Archibald and his wife looked over the valley, she said, "Oh, Archie! after all this long journey across the dusty plains can this possibly be the place?" Among the first Pioneers who settled along the river banks then known as the "Western Jordan" was Alexander Beckstead, who built a small log cabin just south of where the Pioneer Hall now stands. The log cabin served as a church, day school and a hall for dances and other recreation. The wife of President Grant taught school here until the early fifties when Archibald Gardner came from Mill Creek and settled here.

In 1858, the West Jordan Ward was organized and Archibald Gardner was chosen and set apart as Bishop. The population at that time was about three hundred people. The members then decided to build a new church. Preparations for the new building were made. They yoked up their faithful oxen, horses and mules. The main part of the building was made of red sandstone, which was hauled from the Jordan range of mountains a distance of about six miles. The trim was of Granite rock which was hauled by ox team from the mouth of little Cottonwood Canyon across the valley to the East. This was tedious work and it took a long time to get the material ready as tools and equipment was very crude. The loading equipment was very homemade and scarce and the roads were mere trails. On May 15, 1861, the corner stone was laid. Elias Morris was the architect and Brother Morrell did the painting and decorating. There was very little money to be had. The workers were paid with all kinds of produce. Mary Ann Bradford Gardner, wife of Archibald, did most of the cooking for the men while the church was under construction. The food was very plain. The main hall



Old Pioneer Hall, West Jordan, Utah

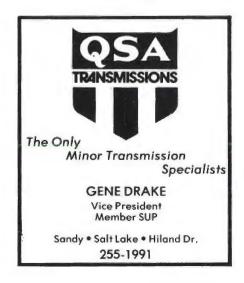
of the church was 30x40 feet with a vestry on the west. The walls were three feet thick. When the church house was ready for the roof the money was almost gone and things looked very discouraging. Three military men, Charles D. Haun, Samuel Bateman and William Turner. came to their rescue. They obtained a large tarpaulin or canvas and covered the roof. Plans were made for a military dance. The guests of honor were: President Brigham Young, George Q. Cannon, the Presiding Bishopric of the church, Bishop Hunter, Wilford Woodruff and others. The officers of Fort Douglas attended, giving a real military effect. They charged one dollar for tickets and a large crowd attended. Enough money was raised to pay for the completion of the roof. After six years of labor and struggle the Rock Church was completed and dedicated on August 11, 1867.

This wonderful building was regarded as the finest church building West of the Missouri River. Small wonder that the Saints were proud of the new meeting house. They walked for miles each Sunday to their church meetings and to all meetings held during the week. Many dances were enjoyed here. Each of the ladies had to bring a candle as their admission to light the hall.

In 1880, Bishop Gardner had the building repaired and remodeled, putting a gallery in the East end of the building. It was heated with coal stoves, one up toward the front on the south side and one half way down the hall on the north.

This building was used for all purposes until a new brick church on Redwood Road was built. The building was abandoned and for a number of years stood empty and forsaken. It was falling into decay. At one time, it was rented for an automobile shop. The owner knocked out the west wall and it was also used as a pig pen and chicken coop. The floor was ruined, the windows were broken and the roof leaked.

Twenty years later on June 18, 1937, the Archibald Gardner Camp of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers came to its rescue. They received a ninety-nine year lease from the church at one dollar a year. Now, the restoration started, windows and frames were restored and cellotex ceilings installed to replace the old plaster. New shingles replaced the old ones. Modern heating and plumbing was installed. In order to save this beautiful land mark the Daughters worked



hard. Quilts were made, bazaars were held, dinners were served and dances were held to raise the money. The Daughters donated time and money and also donated their husbands time.

On May 1, 1938, this historic building was opened again for the first time in twenty-five years. It was then given the name of "Pioneer Hall". On this day, about three hundred people from all over the state attended. President Heber J. Grant was the principle speaker. He commended the camp for preserving this land mark. Other speakers were: Ida M. Kirkham, President of the National Company of D.U.P. George G. Morris, Son of Elias A. Morris, who was the architect and builder of the building. Later the vestry and the gallery was removed.

On September 14, 1966, the Pioneer Hall and grounds were transferred to the town of West Jordan with the promise that the town would beautify the grounds as a memorial to the building. The Daughters of Utah Pioneers would still hold the lease on the building.

The Pioneer Hall became the



HYRUM BENNION AND HIS SONS

Left to right: David, Oscar, Hyrum, Jr., Joseph, Hyrum, Sr., Ernest, Karren, Samuel Thomas, Robert

home of the Temple Quarry Chapter Sons of the Utah Pioneers on February 15, 1961. Many meetings, banquets, parties and happy hours were enjoyed in this old hall. These activities continued until the Chapter outgrew the Hall and it was decided to move the chapter to the Jordan Ell Reception Center on December 8, 1976 for the Christmas Party and all future activities.

The Pioneer Hall is still the home of the Archibald Gardner Camp Daughters of Utah Pioneers. The hall is rented for many activities including weddings, parties, a church meeting and many other meetings. Many improvements have been made to keep it a place of beauty.

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EAST MILL CREEK CHAPTER IS ACTIVE

In February and March of this year the East Mill Creek Chapter members and companions met at the Carden School on 27th South for their monthly meetings and dinners.

With a theme of Washington's Birthday in February, the chapter met to hear Thomas B. Neff, former president of the New York LDS Mission. The Church is growing in that area, beset with some problems in expansion.

The customary historical fact talk was given by Ferdi D. Peterson who related the incidents in the life of his ancestor Jens Petersen Andersen, born in October of 1854. His pioneer wives were Mary Jacobsen, Rebecca Swenson and Maria Jensen.

The Easter meeting in March was hosted by Lynn Garff, the dinner, the entertainment and pioneer fact talk made the evening most pleasant for all who attended. The "Joyful Sounds" group of young ladies sang beautifully and we concur with Lawrence Welk when he said that their harmony was among the best.

The speaker of the evening was Keith Garner, Temple Square President, and second counselor in the International Mission Presidency. His varied and interesting contacts in missionary work delighted the membership present.



COMPANY B - MORMON BATTALION - ORGANIZED IN SANDY, UTAH

Under date of January 27, 1978, Col. Elmer B. Jones of the Mormon Battalion, organized Company B at Sandy, Utah with the following officers, as above, Left to right: 2nd Lt. Fred Wiesner, 1st Lt. Frederick S. Linford; Capt. Gene Smith, 2nd Lt. Gerald L. Sorenson.

by Carl Larson

Membership certificates were presented to Arthur G. Price in March and to James W. Johnson in April. The members of the Temple Fork Chapter have accepted the challenge of sponsoring at least one new member each per year.

Sylvester C. Anderson, chapter entertainment chairman, invited Lothaire and Ruth Rich from the East Mill Creek Chapter to our March meeting. Bro. Rich sang several ballads; Sister Rich gave some history on the Rich family and in particular ''Judge'' Rich, father of Lothaire.

April was the chapter's annual Bread and Milk supper. Temple Fork Chapter hosted Old Juniper Chapter. We appreciated Old Juniper Chapter meeting with us.

Members of Company D, Mormon Battalion travelled to Arizona in February. They marched in the Tucson Fiesta Days Rodeo Parade, the largest non-mechanized Parade in the world. Company D had the honor of providing the color guard for the dedication services at El Centro, California.

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A STORY OF THE TAYLORSVILLE-BENNION **SONS OF THE UTAH PIONEERS -**WHO TOOK PART IN THE DAYS OF '47 PARADE IN SALT LAKE CITY ON JULY 25, 1977

by Ace Wallace

In the Spring of 1847 Brigham Young and pioneer company left Winter Quarters and continued westward. The second company left Winter Quarters June 21, 1847. Apostles John Taylor and Parley P. Pratt at the head. Families such as Thomas Mackay, John and Samuel Bennion, and Joseph Harker and others were in this group. They reached Salt Lake Valley September 29, 1847, and went to the Fort in Pioneer Square.

On the ninth day of January 1849 Thomas Mackay, John and Samuel Bennion crossed over the Jordan River on the ice and located at about 33rd South and 16th West near Joseph Harker's place, who had preceded them. This was the start of three communities - Granger, Taylorsville and Bennion.

One hundred and thirty years later, the descendants of those three families rode down Main Street in Salt Lake City as part of the Days of '47 Parade. The descendants of Thomas Mackay were Ace Wallace and Rulon Mackay, with their wives: descendants of John and Samuel Bennion were Joseph Elbert Bennion, and daughter and the descendants of Joseph Harker were Cliff and Helen Harker, (and Joseph Elbert Bennion and daughter). Our pioneer forefathers worked together. The descendants work together, and in fact, they form some of the leadership in the Sons of the Utah Pioneer Taylorsville and Bennion chapters: Joseph Elbert Bennion, president; Ace Wallace, 1st Vice President; Rulon Mackay, Director: Cliff Harker, Director.

I say, for myself and others, it's

great to be associated with such a fine group. The greatest thrill of all was when Ned Winder announced us as Sons of the Utah Pioneers from the Taylorsville and Bennion Chapters. As we entered the parade route the people, who were in the sound of his voice, gave a standing ovation.

The outfit is owned by Ace Wallace. The horses are Sorrel Belgians (you see one, you see the other, they are that well matched). Our entry won the "Horse drawn wagon" for 1977. (Theme of the parade was "The Desert Blossoms - 1847 to 1977'' - thanks to our chapter.)

The harnesses on the horses were hand made. It took me six months in my spare time to make them. Thereare two half hides of harness leather in each. All cutting of the leather was done by a leather knife. I used nine balls of waxed sewing string, three thousand nickel spots, pair of sharp pointed pincers and a rubber mallet. Harnesses like these are few and far apart - the worth is over \$3,000.00.



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The Sierra Chapter officers for 1978 are left to right: Dr. Evan Perkins, national vice president; Grant Ursenback, outgoing president of chapter; Nephi ''Cap'' Hacken, incoming president; and Roland Malzahn, secretary.

The early spring meetings of the Sierra Chapter were held on February 20th and March 10th to start off a new season under newly elected officers. Dr. Robert J. Norman, Director, Sacramento State Institute of Religion, was guest speaker at the February meeting. He discussed some of the early Church history and the establishment of Zion and the Kingdom of God. A group of thirty-nine persons attended the meeting.

At the February meeting Del Price presented a eulogy on the life of Lorenzo Roskelley, who was truly a son of a Utah Pioneer. Barry Collin gave a most interesting account of what it was like to be a member of a Jewish family in Germany prior to World War II. He volunteered for army service and later established a successful photography business in Berlin. His escape from Germany required great wit and was considered miraculous.

The Sweeney Collection of Historical Artifacts was scheduled for a preview for March 11, 1978 at the El Dorado County Museum, Fairgrounds, Placerville Drive in Placerville.

Of interest to all in the area, Dr. Perkins reported that plans are going forward to establish a new chapter in the Sonoma-Napa area.

Future plans state that the May meeting will either be a trek or outdoor activity at a nearby point of historical interest with details to come later.



New Graduate Dean
of U of U Identified with
Sons of Utah Pioneers

Dr. James L. Clayton, recently named as the new dean of the graduate school is the son of Ernest and Oleta Clayton, staunch S.U.P. members. The new dean has distinguished himself in scholarly and teaching activities and has received both teaching and faculty awards. A native Utahn, he received his B.A. degree from the U. of U. and his Ph.D. degree from Cornell University. Of pioneer heritage, he is the great grandson of Wm. C. Clayton, who wrote the song, Come, Come, Ye Saints.

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Highest per cent of membership increase (for chapters over 50 members)

3. Highest per cent of new members who are under 35 years of age, (min. 10).

4. Highest per cent of former S.U.P. members reinstated, or renewed.

5. Highest number of S.U.P. sons, nephews and grandsons recruited.

6. Highest number of new or revived chapters.

Individual Awards (Each a small plaque to be retained by the individual)

1. Honor plaque for recruiting the most members in the National Society.

2. Silver plaque for recruiting 15 or more members.

3. Bronze plaque for recruiting ten through fourteen members.

(Multiple copies of the individual awards would be made to recognize all of those each year who meet the respective award criteria.)

Award Base Period - July 1st through June 30th of the following year, 12 months.

VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT ON GOALS FOR 1978

by John J. Nielsen, National Society Membership Chairman CACHE AND BOX ELDER

COUNTIES CHAPTERS - Vice President Verl L. Petersen

We are concentrating on a new Corinne Chapter and an increase in membership in the four existing chapters as a preparation for the expected tourists to the Corinne Railroad Museum. Also, we expect to host a larger than normal encampment at the Utah State University, August 3, 4, & 5th.

WEBER COUNTY CHAPTERS - Vice president Milton Priest

The Ogden Pioneer Chapter, according to President Wm. J. Critchlow, expects to sponsor and have organized a new chapter in North Ogden prior to the end of this year.

SOUTH SALT LAKE AREA - Vice President W. Phil Robbins

The East Mill Creek Chapter is in the process of sponsoring a new chapter in the Canyon Rim Stake area. So far some sixty-seven prospective members have indicated a desire to start a new chapter. Approximately thirty met at the East Mill Creek Library on March 30th, elected a slate of new officers and chose the name of CANYON-RIM-HERITAGE for the chapter name.

The Temple Quarry Chapter, from a report by President Gene Drake, has set as its goal to sponsor a new charter in the Burley-Rupert, Idaho area.

W. Phil Robbins advises that the Sugar House Chapter expects to charter two chapters in the State of Illinois on Saturday, June 24th, at Nauvoo. The membership for these two chapters will come from the Champaigne and Peoria areas.

President Orin P. Black indicates that the Murray Chapter expects to double their membership prior to the encampment at Logan.

CENTRAL UTAH AREA - Vice President John F. Jones

All three chapters here are making contact with all members who have not paid their 1978 national and local chapter dues.

SOUTHERN UTAH AREA - Vice President Edwin Cox

Ed is concentrating on getting all the existing chapter members in Kanab, Little Salt Lake and Cedar City to renew their membership by paying their 1978 dues. He reports that a bread and milk get-together is planned for the near future to reinstate the membership of the St. George Chapter. Members of the National office will participate in this organizational meeting at St. George.

SALT LAKE CHAPTER FEATURES PROMINENT ARTISTS AND PERSONALITY OF THE MONTH

(as extracted from their VOICE OF THE PIONEERS)

Under date of April 6th, at the Distinctive Catering Center, Neldon Maxfield and Christine Timothy were the very special guests of our chapter. Each of the Guests have been featured in local productions at the Promised Valley Playhouse, the Pioneer Memorial Theatre and the Utah Opera Company. It was a musical treat for all present.

Preston W. Parkinson was selected as the personality of the month and well he might be for he has been identified with civic growth and activity these many years. Born 22 October 1903, at Salt Lake City, Utah to George Chandler and Fannie Woolley Parkinson, he attended the LDS High School and then the University of Utah to receive a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering.

A long and distinquished period of service in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has been evident throughout his life. As a high counselor, bishop, stake mission president, sunday school board member and chairman of the Bonneville Stake Genealogy Committee, he has served his church well. His book, THE UTAH WOOLLEY FAMILY, published in 1967 is a cherished possession of all his relatives.

He is a grandson of Samuel Rose Parkinson, Utah Pioneer of 1854 and Edwin Dilworth Woolley, Utah Pioneer of 1848. He is married to Ruth Hampton Bird and they have three daughters, Ann Parkinson Montague, Carol Bird Parkinson Staffanson and Mary Elizabeth Parkinson Millet.

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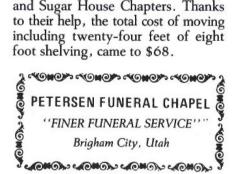
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NATIONAL SOCIETY HEADQUARTERS MOVES FROM CONNOR STREET ADDRESS

On Saturday morning, March 11th, 1978, at quarter to eight in the morning, Phil Robbins, national vice president for the Salt Lake area, kept his promise to have a work crew at hand to move the property of the Sons of Utah Pioneers from Connor Street to its new address at 3357 South 2300 East, Salt Lake City, Utah 84109. The trucks and men that responded to this appeal for help was a welcome sight. Before this appointed hour an inventory of property had been made, placed in boxes as far as could be done, and the headquarters for more than a quarter of a century was about to be vacated.

An hour and a half later it was all over. Past president Adolph Johnson supervised the loading up and your secretary was at the new address with a crew to put it in place. Partition shelving had already been made to order by Ken Wiseman and Jack Nielsen and much of the boxed goods went into storage until a more permanent headquarters could be found.

We are greatly indebted to Phil Robbins and his co-workers that he had solicited from the Holladay, Mt. Olympus, East Mill Creek, Murray and Sugar House Chapters. Thanks to their help, the total cost of moving including twenty-four feet of eight foot shelving, came to \$68





Services held for Prominent Art Educator

Delbert Waddoups Smedley, member of the Sugar House Chapter, passed away 17 March 1978 in a local hospital. Born 17 November 1908, in Bountiful, Utah to Angus and Margaretta Waddoups Smedley, he married Ardella Merrill, 20 August 1935 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

Highly respected and well-known in the field of art education he had completed a lifetime of varied activities. Educated at the Utah State Agricultural College and the University of Southern California where he received his Master of Arts degree, he began his teaching career in the Morgan School District in 1935. Among other activities he was district art director for the Granite School District from 1954 until his retirement in 1974. He was active in education circles and civic clubs and a pioneer in the teaching of art education in the United States.

Active in LDS leadership, as a high priest, sunday school teacher and a well-known scouter he also contributed to his special field of endeavor by publishing numerous articles.

He is survived by his wife, two sons and daughters, eight grandchildren, two brothers and a sister.

DESERET MORTUARY

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Temple Quarry Member Passes

Evan Molburn Homer passed away 27 March 1978 at Sandy, Utah. He was a former president of the Temple Quarry Chapter and a member of the Mormon Battalion. He was born 9 April 1912 at Riverside, Idaho, to Willard George and Elvina J. Pehrson Homer. He married Julia Andrus 3 April 1941 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. He was a long-time resident of Sandy, Utah and active in LDS activities to have served as a Bishop, high councilman and president of the Sunday School.

He filled a mission to California in 1937-39; active as a scouter; and worked for the Jordan school district for thirty-five years. He is survived by his wife, nine children, nine grandchildren, brothers and

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Music Educator, Life Member, Passes

William McLachlan Foxley, 51, Utah music educator and life member of the Brigham Young Chapter, passed away at Provo. Utah, of a heart attack.

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He was born August 8, 1926, in Salt Lake City to William Lemuel Foxley and Grace McLachlan Foxley. He married Norma LaVon Noall, December 16, 1848, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. He received his early education in the Salt Lake schools to be followed by a master's degree from the University of Southern California and later, his Ph.D. from the BYU in 1969.

Active in LDS church work, he served a mission to the New England States, as a seminary teacher, as a high councilman and Branch President to the 39th Ward, BYU. He also served as an assistant Army chaplain in Italy in World War II. (This is where your present editor knew him quite well in LDS meetings at Montecatini, Italy.)

William was a professor of music at the BYU, president of the Utah Music Teacher's Association and had been editor of the Utah Music Educator's Magazine. He was a field representative for music to the LDS Church for twenty-years in the western states; member of the American Guild of Organists and active in the Music Teachers National.

Survivors include his widow of Provo, a son and three daughters. William N., Monterrey, Mexico; Mrs. Scott R. Spencer, Salt Lake City; Mrs. John V. (Janice) Billings and Laura Foxley, both of Provo, Utah.

Educator Joel P. Jensen Merits Special Citation

In a recent issue of *The Pioneer* notice was carried that Joel P. Jensen has passed away at age 70. While he was an outstanding educator throughout a lifetime we failed to emphasize the fact that he and his three sons, Joel Conover Jensen, Jess Rees Jensen and Peter David Jensen were all members of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. Also, Jess Rees was past president of the Pioneer Chapter. His two son-in-laws, Dr. S. Kent Evans and Mr. Phillip L. Ward were members also, husbands to his daughters Rosemary and Maurine.

He was as ardent in his membership as he was honorable in his professional career.

Services Held for Denzil E. Watts, Sr.

Denzil Eugene Watts, Sr. 70, died recently of a heart attack. He was born 10 May 1898 in Murray to William Eugene and Ethel Gertrude Park Watts. He married Irma Sanders on August 14, 1924 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. He was a veteran of WWI, retired chemist and owner of the Watts Floral and nursery in Murray. He was active in scouting, LDS church work as a high priest and president of the Murray Senior Citizens. He is survived by one son, Denzil E. Jr., three daughters and twenty-three grandchildren.



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